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FIRST RESPONDER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

PURPOSE

To define the requirements for the certification/recertification of eligible individuals, who voluntarily request certification, by the Medical Director of the local EMS Agency as a First Responder.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible to apply for certification as a First Responder, an individual at the time of application must:

- 1. Be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age
- 2. Provide documentation of successful completion of an approved course within six (6) months prior to application for certification and possess a course completion record from same.
- 3. Pass by pre-established standards a competency based written and skills examination approved by this local EMS Agency.
- 4. Fee as set by ICEMA. The fee is not refundable or transferable.

PROCEDURE

Initial Certification:

An individual applying for initial certification as a First Responder within this region shall:

- 1. Apply for certification within six (6) months of successful passage of the written and skills examination.
- 2. Submit a completed application with the appropriate fee (cash, money order or provider checks only). Fees paid for certification are not refundable or transferable.
- 3. Submit a current 1" x 1¼" driver's license style photograph. If the photo is submitted by mail, it will be necessary that it be accompanied by a photocopy of the applicant's driver's license for verification purposes.

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4. Submit a signed copy (front and back) of the individual's current American Heart Association BLS Level C or American Red Cross Professional Rescuer CPR card.

The expiration date shall be two (2) years from the date of successful passage of the First Responder certifying examination.

Recertification:

An individual applying for recertification as a First Responder within this region shall:

- 1. Apply for recertification within six (6) months of successful passage of the written and skills examination.
- 2. Meet all recertification requirements within six (6) months prior to the expiration date of the current certificate; otherwise, the expiration date shall be two (2) years from the date of successful passage of the First Responder recertifying examination.
- 3. Submit a completed application with the appropriate fee (cash, money order or provider checks only). Fees paid for certification are not refundable or transferable
- 4. Submit a photocopy of the front and back of the certificate that qualifies the individual to apply for recertification as a First Responder.
- 5. Submit a current 1" x 1¼" driver's license style photograph. If the photo is submitted by mail, it will be necessary that it be accompanied by a photocopy of the applicant's driver's license for verification purposes. Submit a signed copy (front and back) of the individual's current American Heart Association BLS Level C or American Red Cross Professional Rescuer CPR card.